	%		%	
June	40	90.59	41	90.02
July	47	107.52	49	128.11
August	51	126.90	64	178.10
September	65	197.81	63	169.19
October	54	141.40	77	273.55
November	72	215.70	89	321.57
December	70	222.54	71	209.81
TOTAL	56% (Average)	1,788.79	62% (Average)	2085.55

Involving private sector for developing Tourism Infrastructure

809. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to involve the Private Sector for the development of tourism infrastructure in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A number of financial incentives/ concessions have been offered by the Government to attract private investment in the development of tourism infrastructure. These include tax incentives, interest subsidy on loans, concessional import duty on capital goods, cars and coaches, priority to the allocation of gas and telephone connections etc.

Problems faced by tourists

810. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that major problem faced by tourists is lack of toilet and drinking water facilities at important places of tourist interest in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The lack of toilet and drinking water facilities is experienced by tourists at some places of tourist interest in the country. However, the Central Department of Tourism extends financial assistance to State Governments and the Archaeological Survey of India to create/ augment toilet and drinking water facilities at such places in the country.

Steps to promote tourism in Ladakh

811. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government to promote tourism in Ladakh;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is no worthwhile tourists complex or medical or relief centre on Leh-Manali road; and